

IN THE CLAIMS:

The following list of claims will replace all prior versions of claims in the above captioned application.

Listing of Claims

1. (Currently Amended) A nonwoven card for the production of nonwoven fabric of fiber material[[,]] comprising [[-]] ~~with~~ a drawing-in means (2,4) in the form of rotating drawing-in (2) and taker-in (4) rollers, [[-]] ~~with~~ a licker-in roller (6) rotating oppositely to the rotation of said taker-in roller (4), [[-]] ~~with~~ a main cylinder (16), ~~and~~[[-]] ~~with~~ at least one fiber doffer means (18) engaged with the main cylinder (16)[[,]] for doffing a fibrous web, [[-]] the drawing-in means (2,4) transferring the fiber material to the licker-in roller (6) and [[a]] transfer means (8) for transferring the fiber material at least double from the licker-in roller (6) to the main cylinder (16) along two different transfer paths of travel via a plurality of transferring rollers (10, 10a, 10b, 10c, 12, 12a, 12b, 14), characterized in that at least one of the transferring rollers (10, 10a, 10b, 10c, 12, 12a, 12b, 14) of the transfer means (8) is a random roller (10, 10a, 10b, 10c) rotating in the same direction as the main cylinder (16) and the licker-in roller (6).

2. (Currently Amended) The nonwoven card according to claim 1, characterized in that the transfer means (8) has only a single roller (10, 10a, 10b, 10c, 12, 12a, 12b) between the licker-in roller (6) and the main cylinder (16) on at least one or each of the two different transfer ~~path~~ paths.
3. (Currently Amended) The nonwoven card according to claim 2, characterized in that the only single roller is a random roller (10, 10a, 10b, 10c).
4. (Currently Amended) The nonwoven card according to claim 1, characterized in that a random roller (10, 10a, 10b, 10c) is arranged in combination with a transfer roller (12, 12a, 12b) on at least one of the two different transfer ~~path~~ paths, and the random roller (10, 10a, 10b, 10c) ~~being~~ is in engagement with the licker-in roller (6).
5. (Currently Amended) The nonwoven card according to claim 1, characterized in that the transfer means (8) comprises at least three transfer rollers (10, 10a, 10b, 10c, 12, 12a, 12b, 14) at least two of which are engaged with the licker-in roller (6) and the main cylinder (16), respectively.
6. (Original) The nonwoven card according to claim 5, characterized in that the at least three rollers (10, 10a, 10b, 10c, 12, 12a, 12b, 14) are in mutual engagement.

7. (Currently Amended) The nonwoven card according to claim 5, characterized in that the ~~transfer means (8)~~ comprises at least three rollers (10a, 10b, 10c) ~~being~~ are respectively engaged at least with the licker-in roller (6) and the main cylinder (16).
8. (Currently Amended) The nonwoven card according to claim 7, characterized in that ~~the~~ neighboring rollers (10a, 10b, 10c) of the transfer means (8) are in mutual engagement.
9. (Previously Presented) The nonwoven card according to claim 5, characterized in that all the rollers of the transfer means (8) are random rollers (10, 10a, 10b, 10c).
10. (Previously Presented) The nonwoven card according to claim 1, characterized in that the at least one random roller (10, 10a, 10b, 10c) comprises carding elements (24,26).
11. (Currently Amended) The nonwoven card according to claim 10, characterized in that the carding elements (24,26) ~~consist of~~ include at least one pair of worker/clearer rollers (28,30) or of carding plates (24).

12. (Currently Amended) A method ~~for the production of~~ producing nonwoven fabric of fiber material by means of a nonwoven card by supplying the fiber material via a ~~drawing-in means (2,4)~~ rotating drawing-in roller (2) to an oppositely rotating taker-in roller (4) to a licker-in roller (6), by transferring the fiber material from the licker-in (6) to a main cylinder (16) for carding the fiber material, and by doffing at least one fibrous web from the main cylinder (16), characterized by ~~an at least double transfer of~~ the step of transferring the fiber material ~~via several~~ along two different transfer paths from the licker-in (6) to the main cylinder (16) by using at least one random roller (10, 10a, 10b, 10c) on at least one of the two different transfer path paths.